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SUBJECT: MULTILATERAL AFFAIRS: REVIEW OF POST ACTIONS

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1. DURING GENERAL DISCUSSION WITH FONOFF USEC MIRGHANI MAY 21, AMBASSADOR REFERRED TO RECENT FAVORABLE DEVELOPMENTS IN USG/GOS RELATIONS, NOTED USG WILLINGNESS SUPPORT SUDANESE MINIRRIGATION FOR MAJOR UN POST AND REMINDED MIRGHANI OF OUR DESIRE HANDLE OUTSTANDING ISSUES WITH OTHER COUNTRIES ON BASIS COOPERATION, NOT CONFRONTATION. SECRETARY HIMSELF HAD UNDERSCORED THIS APPROACH IN HIS DISCUSSION NORTH/SOUTH ECONOMIC ISSUES NOW BEING CONSIDERED AT UNCTAD IV. IN CONTEXT THIS GENERAL FRAMEWORK, WE HOPED CONFRONTATIONAL POSITIONS COULD BE AVOIDED AT NONALIGNED SUMMIT IN CEYLON IN AUGUST. THIS WOULD BE EASIER TO ACHIEVE IF NACC FOREIGN MINISTERS' MEETING IN ALGIERS MAY 30 WERE NOT TO COME UP WITH HARD LINE DRAFT PROPOSALS. FOR THIS REASON, AMBASSADOR WISHED REMIND MIRGHANI AGAIN OF OUR CONCERN LEST PORTIONS BE ADOPTED WHICH IGNORE THE FACTS ON PUERTO RICO OR UNDERMINE THE KOREAN ARMISTICE AND SEEK TO FORECLOSE A ROLE FOR SOUTH KOREA IN ANY SETTLEMENT. (AMBASSADOR GAVE MIRGHANI TEXT OPERATIVE PARAGRAPHS 1953 UN RESOLUTION ON CONFIDENTIAL

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2. MIRGHANI SAID HE AGREED IT WOULD BE EASIER TO AVOID CONFRONTATIONAL POSITIONS IN CEYLON IF PREPARATORY MEETING ABJURED HARD LINE DRAFTS. WHILE HE QUESTIONED HOW MUCH INFLUENCE GOS MIGHT INDIVIDUALLY HAVE WITH NACC, HE RECALLED HIS OWN SPEECH AT LAST UNGA WHICH RECOGNIZED LEGALITY USG TROOP PRESENCE KOREA UNDER BILATERAL ROK/USG ARRANGEMENTS. SUDAN WOULD HE THOUGHT, HHT SUPPORT ANY RESOLUTIIK WHICH SOUGHT EXCLUDE SOUTH KOREA FROM DELIBERATIONS RE SETTLEMENT. AS TO PUERTO RICO, MIRGHANI TOOK WRITTEN NOTES AND INDICATED THAT HE PERSONALLY RECOGNIZED FORCE USG POSITION, PARTICULARLY IN LIGHT 1953 UN RESOLUTION.

3. COMMENT: MIRGHANI TALKS A GOOD GAME BUT GOS VOTING RECORD HAS IN PAST BEEN DISAPPOINTING,; HOWEVER, HE WAS MORE FORTHRIGHT RE KOREA THAN HERETOFORE, POSSIBLY REFLECTING IMPROVEMENT IN GOS/ROK TIES (KHARTOUM 0589 AND 1470). ON PUERTO RICO, MIRGHANI'S POSITIVE ATTITUDE CAN PROBABLY BE TRANSLATED INTO GOS ABSTENTION ON ISSUE IN FUTUP INTERNA BBNAL CMHHERINGS, PROVIDED THIS DOES NOT SERVE TO ISOLATE SUDAN. BREWER

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